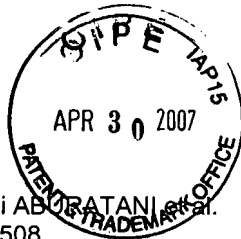


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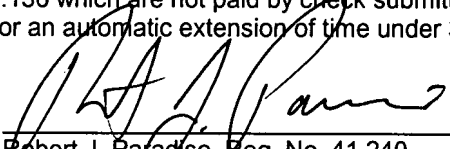
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of the listed documents are enclosed. If it is determined that a copy of any of the documents is missing and is required, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned so that a copy can be provided.

Applicants respectfully note that the listed documents were cited in the Supplementary European Search Report issued in connection with European Patent Application No. 03 80 9427. A copy of the Search Report is attached as Appendix A.

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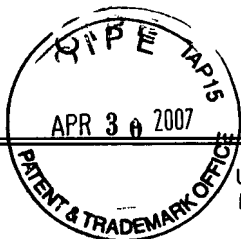
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